

the *sovereignty of the States*, is a surrender of their rights as freemen, into hands that have already been, but too willing to take advantage of such an admission to their oppression. An other advantage to us, is, that it effectively removes the question of slavery from this contest, and places the entire issue not only before the people of the United States, but of the whole world, upon the *sovereignty of the States*. Instead of it being

PENDING.—The Secretary of the Treasury gives notice through the Richmond papers that funding in 4 per cent. bonds will commence through the 1st day of April, and not step on the 31st March, as newly supposed. The new currency will bear the date of the act authorizing them—17th February, 1864—and the issue will commence on the 2d of April.

The man who resorted to a shift to keep out of the army has had to discard it and don a coat of arms.

MRS. MARY L. BROWN, wife of Hon. BAKER BROWN, died at the residence of her husband in Caswell County, N. C., recently.

Some of the members of Congress still linger about Richmond and among them are several of the "forty" conscripts, seeking, no doubt, as soft a place as possible. A prominent Senator said, a short time ago, that he had received no less than twenty different applications from ex-members for recommendations.

and that Semmes promises to lay the *Alabama* alongside of an American frigate, but not immediately; adding that there were "only" ships he was afraid of in the "United States navy."

Miss Tucker of Weatherford does not to hear of the palm. She has made her own fair hands a pair of cotton cuffs and banded, spun, wore, and made her dresses. Who can beat that?